

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Attachment 3.1-C

State North Carolina

STANDARDS AND METHODS TO ASSURE HIGH QUALITY CARE

Institutional care will be provided by facilities qualified to participate in Title XVIII and/or Title XIX.

Physicians' services are those services provided within the scope of practice, as defined by State law, by or under the personal supervision of an individual licensed under State law to practice medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, and optometry. Those services, as required by State statute, performed by a licensed optometrist or podiatrist which fall within the scope of services performed by a doctor of medicine are the only podiatric and optometric services which may be covered.

Drugs will be provided only on the written prescription of a licensed practitioner qualified to prescribe and will be dispensed through registered or licensed pharmacies except for remote areas where pharmaceutical services are not available, except when dispensed by the physician.

Independent laboratories and x-ray facilities, including such facilities in a physician's office, furnishing outpatient diagnostic services must meet the standards prescribed for participation under Title XVIII.

Home health agencies must meet the standards prescribed for participation in Title XVIII.

Consultants in pharmacy, dentistry, nursing, and medicine, with advice and counsel of committees representing professional provider groups and advisory council, will participate in program planning, establishing standards, and program evaluations.

Provisions will be made for obtaining recommended medical care and services regardless of geographic boundaries.

Long term care of patients in medical institutions will be provided in accordance with procedures and practices that are based on the patient's medical and social needs and requirements.

Standards in other specialized high quality programs such as Crippled Children's Services will be incorporated as appropriate.

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